CLAIMS

1. A method of manufacturing a glass substrate for a data recording medium, the method comprising:

housing disk-shaped glass workpieces in circular holes formed in a tabular carrier, with said carrier having a surface roughness of 0.08 µm or less; and

polishing principal surfaces of the glass workpieces by sliding a polishing pad over said carrier and glass workpieces, until the principal surfaces of the glass workpieces have micro-waviness of 0.12 nm or below measured using a three-dimensional surface structure analysis microscope whose measuring wavelength is set to 0.2 to 1.4 mm.

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2. The method of manufacturing a glass substrate for a data recording medium according to claim 1, wherein said carrier is subjected to surface polishing before being used in the polishing.

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3. The method of manufacturing a glass substrate for a data recording medium according to claim 1, wherein the surface roughness of said polishing pad is 6 µm or less when measured using a probe sensor whose cutoff value is set to 0.8 mm.

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- 4. The method of manufacturing a glass substrate for a data recording medium according to claim 1, wherein said polishing pad is made of foam of a synthetic resin material having a 100% modulus of 8.8 to 19.6 MPa.
- 5. The method of manufacturing a glass substrate for a data recording medium according to claim 4, wherein an amount of compression deformation of said polishing pad is 40 to 60 μm.

6. The method of manufacturing a glass substrate for a data recording medium according to claim 4, wherein said polishing pad has 600 to 800 pores per 1 mm² on the surface thereof.

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- 7. The method of manufacturing a glass substrate for a data recording medium according to claim 4, wherein said polishing pad has pores having a diameter of 10 to 40 μm on the surface thereof.
- 8. The method of manufacturing a glass substrate for a data recording medium according to claim 1, wherein said carrier is made by molding synthetic resin with an aggregate of alamido fiber or glass fiber
- 9. The method of manufacturing a glass substrate for a data recording medium according to claim 8, wherein said carrier has a Rockwell hardness of 120 to 130.

10. A method of manufacturing a glass substrate for a data recording medium, the method comprising:

forming circular holes in a tabular carrier having a surface roughness of 0.08 μm or less;

housing disk-shaped glass workpieces in the circular holes of the carrier; and

sliding polishing pads over the surface of said carrier and the principal surfaces of the glass workpieces and polishing the glass workpieces until the height of micro-waviness on the principal surfaces measured using a three-dimensional surface structure analysis microscope whose measuring wavelength is set to 0.2 to 1.4 mm is reduced to 0.12 nm or less.

11. The method of manufacturing a glass substrate for a data recording medium according to claim 10, wherein said carrier is subjected to surface polishing before being used in said sliding.

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- 12. The method of manufacturing a glass substrate for a data recording medium according to claim 10, wherein the surface roughness of said polishing pad is 6 μ m or less when measured using a probe sensor whose cutoff value is set to 0.8 mm.
- 13. The method of manufacturing a glass substrate for a data recording medium according to claim 10, wherein said polishing pad is made of foam of a synthetic resin material having a 100% modulus of 8.8 to 19.6 MPa.
- 14. The method of manufacturing a glass substrate for a data recording medium according to claim 13, wherein an amount of compression deformation of said polishing pad is 40 to 60 μm .
- 15. The method of manufacturing a glass substrate for a data recording medium according to claim 13, wherein said polishing pad has 600 to 800 pores per 1 mm^2 on the surface thereof.
- 16. The method of manufacturing a glass substrate for a data recording medium according to claim 13, wherein said polishing pad has pores having a diameter of 10 to 40 μ m on the surface thereof.